

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International Application No
PCT/GB2004/004011

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC 7 A61F5/37

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC 7 A61F

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal, PAJ, WPI Data

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	GB 2 345 855 A (BRIEN THOMAS JOSEPH O) 26 July 2000 (2000-07-26) page 3, line 20 - page 5, line 6; figures 1-3	1,2,4,6, 9-11
X	US 4 878 490 A (SCOTT JAMES W) 7 November 1989 (1989-11-07) column 3, line 38 - column 4, line 25; figures 1-3	1-3,7,9, 10
X	US 4 355 635 A (BIHL CLAUDIA J ET AL) 26 October 1982 (1982-10-26) column 2, line 26 - column 3, line 33; figures 1-5	1-3,5,10
X	DE 201 16 743 U (HEFELE WILHELM JOSEPH) 10 January 2002 (2002-01-10) the whole document	1,2,4,9, 10

☒ Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C.

☒ Patent family members are listed in annex.

* Special categories of cited documents:

- *A* document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance
- *E* earlier document but published on or after the international filing date
- *L* document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified)
- *O* document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means
- *P* document published prior to the international filing date but later than the priority date claimed

- *T* later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention
- *X* document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone
- *Y* document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such documents, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art.
- *Z* document member of the same patent family

Date of the actual completion of the international search

11 January 2005

Date of mailing of the international search report

19/01/2005

Name and mailing address of the ISA

European Patent Office, P.B. 5818 Patentlaan 2
NL - 2280 HV Rijswijk
Tel. (+31-70) 340-2040, Tx. 31 651 epo nl,
Fax: (+31-70) 340-3016

Authorized officer

Lickel, A

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International Application No

PCT/GB2004/004011

C.(Continuation) DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT		
Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	GB 2 181 952 A (MANUF BANDES PLATREES ADHESIA) 7 May 1987 (1987-05-07) page 2, line 4 - line 110; figures 2,4	1,7-10
X	US 4 232 664 A (BLATT GERALD) 11 November 1980 (1980-11-11) column 3, line 37 - column 5, line 21; figures 1,2,4	1,2,4,10
X	US 5 358 470 A (JOHNSON JAMES) 25 October 1994 (1994-10-25) column 2, line 58 - column 4, line 33; figures 1,4	1,5,9,10
X	US 2 111 963 A (COOMBS HAROLD E) 22 March 1938 (1938-03-22) the whole document	1,9
A	US 2002/058894 A1 (ROBBINS DANIEL J) 16 May 2002 (2002-05-16) figures 1-9	6

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

Information on patent family members

International Application No

PCT/GB2004/004011

Patent document cited in search report		Publication date	Patent family member(s)	Publication date
GB 2345855	A	26-07-2000	NONE	
US 4878490	A	07-11-1989	CA 2008827 A1	27-07-1990
US 4355635	A	26-10-1982	NONE	
DE 20116743	U	10-01-2002	DE 20116743 U1	10-01-2002
GB 2181952	A	07-05-1987	FR 2589060 A1	30-04-1987
			AT 399093 B	27-03-1995
			AT 44986 A	15-08-1994
			BE 904438 A1	16-07-1986
			CH 668905 A5	15-02-1989
			DE 3604476 A1	30-04-1987
			ES 8706427 A1	16-09-1987
			FI 860780 A	25-04-1987
			GR 860376 A1	10-06-1986
			IL 78446 A	10-03-1991
			IT 1190590 B	16-02-1988
			JP 62122658 A	03-06-1987
			NL 8600402 A	18-05-1987
			NO 862440 A	27-04-1987
			SE 8604518 A	23-06-1987
			YU 118186 A1	30-06-1989
US 4232664	A	11-11-1980	NONE	
US 5358470	A	25-10-1994	NONE	
US 2111963	A	22-03-1938	NONE	
US 2002058894	A1	16-05-2002	NONE	